NOAA Research Council Meeting March 1, 2004 SSMC III, Rm 11836

MINUTES

Principals:

Rick Rosen, Chair Mike Sissenwine, NMFS (phone) Louis Uccellini, NWS (phone) Gary Matlock, NOS (phone) Richard Fulton, PPI Steve Manzo, NMAO Marie Colton, NESDIS Staff:

Jill Ferguson, SAB Carl Childs, OAR Kristen Koch, OAR Terry Schaefer, OAR Nicole Le Boeuf, NMFS Robert Brock, NMFS

Advisors:

Mike Uhart, SAB

Review of NOAA Science Advisory Board (SAB)

Jill Ferguson (on detail to NOAA from the EPA Office of Inspector General) presented her review of the record of the SAB. She has surveyed many NOAA personnel and produced a Summary Table of 75 recommendations that the SAB has made to NOAA.

ACTION ITEM:

Jill will present the complete results of her investigations at the SAB meeting on 3/16.

Communication Plan for Research Definitions

The revised draft of the Research Definition Dissemination plan was discussed and minor revisions suggested addressing the need to coordinate w/ NSF & OMB and ensure consistency between agencies.

ACTION ITEM:

Staff will revise the plan and forward to DCO by the 3/5 deadline.

50% Rule

The status of the 50% Rule was discussed. Presentation of this plan to the NEP/NEC has been postponed pending final implementation of the research definitions.

ACTION ITEM:

Rick will discuss this matter with VADM Lautenbacher.

OSTP FY06 R&D Priorities Memo

The memorandum from OSTP requesting input into the development of the FY2006 OMB/OSTP R&D Priorities Memo was discussed. Scott Rayder tasked the RC to put together NOAA's response.

ACTION ITEM:

RC members should provide input on this memo by 3/10 to Terry Schaefer.

NOAA 5-year Research Plan

The status of the Research Plan was discussed.

ACTION ITEM:

The plan will be released to NOAA this week for internal review. RC members will act as focal points to consolidate input from their LO's.

Next Meeting

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM Monday, March 15, 2004 SSMC III, Rm 11836